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In re Patent Application of:
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For: WASHING MACHINE WITH ION ELUTING
AND IMBALANCE CORRECTING UNITS (as
amended)

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REPLY IN RESPONSE TO NON-FINAL OFFICE ACTION

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Madam:

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

In response to the Office Action dated October 29, 2008, please amend the above-identified U.S. patent application as follows:

Amendments to the Specification

Amendments to the Claims

Amendments to the Abstract

Amendments to the Drawings

Remarks/Arguments